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September 14, 1989

Mr. Gordon Staker
District Manager
Bureau of Land Management
Cedar City District Office
176 East D.L. Sargent Drive
Cedar City, Utah 84720

Dear Mr. Staker:

Re: Proposal for Closure of Tailings Impoundment, Hecla Mining Company, Escalante Silver Mine, M/021/004, Iron County, Utah

Enclosed is one copy of Hecla Mining Company's plan for closure of its tailings impoundment facility, located at the Escalante Silver Mine near Enterprise, Utah.

The Division is providing this copy to you for your review and comment. If possible, please provide us with the Bureau of Land Management's comments and/or concerns, by October 16, 1989. We hope to return a written response to the operator by this date. Please contact me at your earliest convenience if this timeframe cannot be achieved.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

D. Wayne Hedberg
Senior Reclamation Specialist/
Hydrologist

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cc: Donald Ostler, BWPC
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